

18 April 1961

Mr. Joseph E. Jones
 Mutual Benefit Health and
 Accident Association
 Ring Building
 18th and M. Streets, N. W.
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Jones:

After careful study of Contract GMC-1799, based on the experience since the inception of the new Hospitalization and Surgical Contract, it is requested that the following changes be made in the Surgical Schedule. In many instances these changes are recommended because of the fact that at the present time allowances are higher under the Low Option than under the High Option.

Under the High Option the following allowances should be increased to:

Cystoscopy, #3931, \$35.00, each subsequent, #3932, \$35.00.
 Myringotomy, #5961, \$20.00.
 Excision of lymph node, #2544, \$50.00.
 Incision and Drainage, #0101 through #0145, \$15.00.
 Antrum puncture, unilateral, #1901, \$20.00.
 Proctosigmoidoscopy, #3311, \$35.00, each subsequent, #3312, \$35.00.
 Excision of nail, nail bed or nail fold, partial, #0230, \$15.00.
 Excision of spermatocele without epididymectomy, #4174, \$65.00.
 Fractotomy, same as #5761 per underwriter's letter of 1/10/61, \$15.00.
 Peritoneocentesis: abdominal paracentesis, #3588, \$20.00, each subsequent, #3590, \$20.00.
 Aspiration biopsy of bone marrow, including sternal puncture, #0501, \$20.00.
 Malignant tumors, small, \$25.00, large, \$50.00. (*New Item*)

It is our considered opinion that the increased allowances mentioned above will not cause reimbursements to increase to any considerable degree. However, these increases will eliminate a basis for many grievances voiced against the present contract, and will definitely prove to be of great assistance in continuing good public relations.

Sincerely yours,

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 PRESIDENT

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The Largest Exclusive Health and Accident Company in the World



V. J. SKUTT,
PRESIDENT

May 4, 1961

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Joseph E. Jones

Attn. T. W. Premo, Manager
Group Claims Dept.

Group Policy GMG-1799
Government Employees Health
Association

STAT We have had the opportunity to review [redacted]
STAT letter of April 18, 1961, directed to Mr. Jones, and feel
that we can make the suggested changes in the high option
surgical schedule as outlined in [redacted] letter.

These changes will not, of course, be made effective until
the renewal date of the contract, November 1, 1961.

Handwritten signature of W. S. Pritchard

W. S. Pritchard
Administrative Service Dept.
Group Div.

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JOSEPH E. JONES AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

